



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Waste Prevention
Supermarket Recycling Program Certification

By certifying annually that it has a comprehensive recycling and reuse program in place, an individual supermarket can obtain a Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Supermarket Recycling Program Certification (SRPC) and qualify for certain regulatory relief. Waste loads from a supermarket with SRPC status are exempt from MassDEP routine comprehensive inspections at disposal and transfer facilities for the presence of paper (including cardboard), glass, metal and plastic containers, leaves and yard waste.

To be eligible for participation in the program, a grocery store or supermarket must:

- Sell at retail a full line of dry grocery, canned goods, perishable and non-perishable items, AND
- Operate a service deli, bakery, and seafood section, AND
- Have annual sales of \$2 million or more, AND
- Provide for the recycling, reuse, diversion, or donation of all materials in Section C of this form.

Corporations/owners that operate multiple stores must submit separate SRPC applications for each location. Certification will be valid through June 30, 2007.

A. Store Information

Important:

When filling out forms on the computer, use only the tab key to move your cursor - do not use the return key.



Facility Name

Street Address

City or Town

State

Zip Code

Contact Person Name

Title

Telephone Number

Fax Number

Contact Email Address

Federal Employer Identification Number – FEIN/TIN

B. Corporate/Owner Information (if different than above)

Company/Owner Name

Street Address

City or Town

State

Zip Code

Contact Person Name

Title

Telephone Number

Fax Number

Contact Email Address

Federal Employer Identification Number – FEIN/TIN



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C. Recycling and Reuse Program Information

Please note: To obtain SRPC status, you must complete all information in this section.

1. Cardboard

Definition: Non-waxed paper with a ruffled or corrugated inner liner.
Also known as old corrugated containers (OCC).

a. Hauler information

Name of Hauler

Contact Name

Telephone Number

Email Address

b. Type of collection system: ☐ Compactor ☐ Baler ☐ Other:

Please Specify

c. Where the material is taken (Please list all facilities, using a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.)

Name of Facility

Contact Name

City or Town (and State, if not MA) Where Facility is Located

Telephone Number

Email Address

2. Organic Materials: Donation

Definition: Edible but non-saleable prepared, perishable, and non-perishable foods.

a. Organization(s) receiving donations (Please list all, using a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.)

Name of Organization

Contact Name

Telephone Number

Email Address

b. Types of materials donated: ☐ Produce ☐ Cans ☐ Dry Goods ☐ Other:

Please Specify

3. Organic Materials: Diversion

Definition: produce, inedible and edible food, wet and waxed cardboard*, paper, plants, flowers, and wood boxes.

a. Hauler information

Name of Hauler

Contact Name

Telephone Number

Email Address

* **Waxed Cardboard Waiver:** ☐ This facility is unable to recycle waxed cardboard. A completed waiver form is attached.



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3. Organic Materials: Diversion (continued)

b. Type of collection system: ☐ Compactor ☐ Toter ☐ Other: _____
Please Specify

c. Where the material is taken (Please list all facilities, using a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.)

_____ Name of Facility	_____ Contact Name
_____ City or Town (and State, if not MA) Where Facility is Located	
_____ Telephone Number	_____ Email Address

4. Shrink Wrap/Plastic Wrap

Definition: Thin plastic film used for packaging pallets or dry product, either Low Density or Linear Low Density Polyethylene.

a. Hauler information

_____ Name of Hauler	_____ Contact Name
_____ Telephone Number	_____ Email Address

b. Type of collection system: ☐ Compactor ☐ Baler ☐ Other: _____
Please Specify

c. Where the material is taken (Please list all facilities, using a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.)

_____ Name of Facility	_____ Contact Name
_____ City or Town (and State, if not MA) Where Facility is Located	
_____ Telephone Number	_____ Email Address

5. Solid Waste for Disposal

Definition: "Solid Waste or Waste means useless, unwanted or discarded solid, liquid or contained gaseous material resulting from industrial, commercial, ...or household activities that is abandoned by being disposed or incinerated or is stored, treated or transferred pending such disposal, incineration or other treatment, but does not include;" "(i) compostable or recyclable materials when composted or recycled ...". For a complete definition reference 310 CMR 19.006.



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5. Solid Waste for Disposal (continued)

a. Hauler information

Name of Hauler

Contact Name

Telephone Number

Email Address

b. Type of collection system: ☐ Compactor ☐ Dumpster ☐ Other: _____

Please Specify

c. Where the material is taken (Please list all facilities, using a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.)

Name of Facility

Contact Name

City or Town (and State, if not MA) Where Facility is Located

Telephone Number

Email Address

Important Notes:

In accordance with the Commonwealth's waste ban regulations and policies (310 CMR 19.017), Massachusetts solid waste disposal and transfer facilities are required to perform ongoing and routine comprehensive waste load inspections for the presence of certain recyclable and compostable materials including: paper; glass, metal and plastic containers; leaves and yard waste; batteries; appliances; tires; cathode ray tubes; and construction and demolition debris (specifically asphalt pavement; brick; concrete; wood; and metal). Currently, businesses that do not set up programs to divert banned items from their waste run the risk of having their waste rejected at the solid waste facility or paying additional handling fees. Additionally, MassDEP waste ban inspections and enforcement extend to waste haulers and generators.

All waste loads from certified supermarkets are exempt from MassDEP routine comprehensive inspections for paper; glass, metal and plastic containers; and leaves and yard waste. Loads from supermarkets will continue to be subject to ongoing waste stream monitoring for clearly visible banned materials. This enables MassDEP to ensure the integrity of the program and verify that certified supermarkets are meeting the program requirements.

The exemption provided through SRPC only applies to waste loads contracted by a certified supermarket. Supermarkets shall maintain records to verify that the program requirements are being met. If a supermarket with SRPC delivers unacceptable amounts of restricted materials identified through ongoing monitoring, MassDEP may investigate whether the supermarket is still meeting the SRPC criteria. MassDEP may rescind the individual supermarket's SRPC if the supermarket no longer meets the program requirements and future failed loads may be subject to rejection by the facility or enforcement by MassDEP. Also, MassDEP may change the criteria and/or benefits of certification from year to year in consultation with MFA and individual supermarkets.



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D. Certification Statement

"I attest under the pains and penalties of perjury:

- (i) that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information contained in this submittal, including any and all documents accompanying this certification statement;
- (ii) that, based on my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, the information contained in this submittal is to the best of my knowledge, true, accurate, and complete;
- (iii) that systems to maintain program criterion are in place at the facility and will be maintained for the coming year even if processes or operating procedures are changed over the course of the year;
- (iv) the facility [corporation, partnership, sole proprietor] understands that participating in the SRPC does not relieve the facility or any other person of the necessity of complying with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations; and
- (v) that I am fully authorized to make this attestation on behalf of this facility."

Signature

Print Name

Title

Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

Source of Signatory Authority

If a Corporation:

☐ President ☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer

☐ Vice President (if authorized by corporate vote)

☐ Designee (if authorized by corporate vote and responsible for overall operation of facility)

If a Partnership: ☐ General Partner

If a Sole Proprietorship: ☐ Proprietor

Print, sign, and mail the completed certification form to:

**MassDEP/BWP
Supermarket Recycling Certification
Attn: Julia Wolfe
One Winter Street
Boston, MA 02108**

MassDEP needs an original signature on file. You may email (Julia.Wolfe@state.ma.us) or fax (617-292-5778) this form to the agency, but will also need to send a signed original by mail. Please retain a copy of this completed and signed certification for your own files.

Questions?

Contact MassDEP Supermarket Recycling Certification Program Coordinator Julia Wolfe:
617-292-5987 or Julia.Wolfe@state.ma.us